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## RESPONSE TO JUNE 22, 2001, OFFICE ACTION

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Responsive to the Office Action dated June 22, 2001, Applicant remarks as follows:

## **REMARKS**

A restriction has been lodged with respect to a Group I, containing claims 1-41 and a Group II, containing claims 42-44. Applicant hereby elects for examination of claims 1-41 of Group I.

The Office Action also lodges a species restriction with respect to a first embodiment allegedly represented by claim 37 and a second embodiment

allegedly represented by claim 39. Applicant hereby elects the first species. As none of the claims are understood to preclude the first species processing, all claims might be readable thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

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